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Dr. Allyn H. Seymour
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United States Atomic Energy
Commission
Division of Biology and Medicine
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Dr. Seymour:

We have received a reply to our inquiry from Holmes and Narver, a copy of which is attached, on the subject of a vessel to be used to support the Rongelap study program.

The proposal that a ship be made available has been part of the Rongelap proposal since the inception of the discussions on the program. While the LSM does not meet the over-all need for a laboratory ship for the Pacific Proving Ground, it should serve adequately for an operations base at Rongelap until a more utilitarian facility can be provided.

You will note that the letter from Holmes and Narver recommends that a request be submitted through the Division of Biology and Medicine, U. S. Atomic Energy Commission, to utilize the vessel.

We plan on a study trip to Rongelap about mid-August to mid-September and a second expedition during January 1959.

We hope that you can arrange to expedite the request.

Sincerely yours,

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